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## Glendale Man Charged with Hit-and-Run Death of 4-Year-Old Girl

An alleged hit-and-run driver has been charged in connection with an accident that killed a 4-year-old girl in Glendale, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced today.

Shant Badleean (dob 6/24/59) of Glendale was charged with one felony count of hit-and-run driving resulting in death in case GA096378.

Badleean pleaded not guilty today and is scheduled to return on June 29 in Department 1 of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Burbank Branch.

The young victim was struck as she ran into East Wilson Street on March 6, launching her into a parked car, prosecutors said. Badleean drove off without rendering any aid, prosecutors said. The defendant turned himself in the next day.

If convicted as charged, Badleean could face a maximum possible sentence of four years in state prison.

The case remains under investigation by the Glendale Police Department.

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